

I am as hot as molten Lead, and as heavy too: God keepe Lead
out of me, I need no more weight then mine owne bowels: I
haue led my rag of Muffians where they are peperd: ther's not
three of my 150. left aliue, and they are for the townes end, to
begge during life. But who comes heere? *Enter Prince.*

Prin. VVhat standst thou idle heere? lend me thy Sword,
Many a Nobleman lies starke and stiffe,
Vnder the houres of vaunting enemies,
Whose deaths are yet vnreuegd, I prethee lend me thy sword.

Fal. O Hal, I prethee giue me leaue to breathe a while: Turke
Gregory neuer did such deeds in armes, as I haue done this day.
I haue payd Percy, I haue made him sure.

Prin. He is indeed, and liuing to kill thee;
I prethee lend me thy sword.

Fal. Nay before God, Hal, if Percy be aliue, thou gets not my
sword, but take my pistoll if thou wilt.

Prin. Giue it me: what? is it in the case?

Fal. I Hal, 'tis hot, there's that will sacke a City.

The Prince drawes it out, and findes it a bottell of Sacke.

Prin. VVhat is it a time to iest and dally now?

He throwes the Bottle at him, and Exit.

Fal. If Percy be aliue, Ile pierce him, if he doe come in my way,
so: if he doe not, if I come in his willingly, let him make a Car-
bonado of mee. I like not such grinning honour as Sir Walter
bath: giue me life, which if I can saue, so: if not, honour comes
vnlookt for, and there's an end.

*Alarme, excursions, enter the King, the Prince, Lord Iohn of
Lancaster, and Earle of Westmerland.*

King. I prethee Harry withdraw thy selfe, thou bledest too
much; Lord Iohn of Lancaster, goe you with him.

P. Iohn. Not I, my Lord, vnlesse I did bleed too.

Prin. I beseech your Maiesty make vp,
Left your retirement doe amaze your friends.

Ks. I will doe so: my L. of Westmerland, lead him to his Tent.

West. Come, my Lord, Ile lead you to your Tent.

Prince. Lead me, my Lord, I doe not need your helpe;
And God forbid a shallow scratch should driue

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Henry the Fourth

The Prince of Wales from such a field as this,
Where staynd Nobilitie lies troden on,
And Rebels Armes triumph in massacres.

Iohn. Wee breathe too long, come cousin Westmerland,
Our duty this way lies: For Gods sake come.

Prin. By God, thou hast deceiu'd me, Lancaster,
I did not thinke thee Lord of such a spirit;
Before, I leu'd thee as a brother Iohn,
But now I doe respect thee as my soule.

King. I saw him hold Lord Percy at the poynt,
With lustier maintenance then I did looke for
Of such an vngrowne Warriour.

Prin. O, this Boy lends metall to vs all. *Exit.*

Doug. Another King, they grow like Hydras heads,
I am the Douglas fatall to all those
That weare those colours on them. What art thou
That counterfeist the person of a King?

King. The King himselfe, who Douglas grieues at heart,
So many of his shadowes thou hast met,
And not the very King: I haue two Boyes
Seeke Percy and thy selfe, about the Field;
But seeing thou fall'st on mee so luckily,
I will assay thee: and defend thy selfe.

Doug. I feare, thou art another Counterfeiter:
And yet in faith thou bear'st thee like a King:
But mine I am sure thou art, who ere thou bee:
And thus I winne thee.

They fight, the King being in danger, enter Prince of Wales.

Prince. Hold vp thy head, vile Scot, for thou art like
Neuer to hold it vp againe, the spirits
Of valiant Sberly, Stafford, Blunt, are in my Armes,
It is the Prince of Wales that threatens thee,
Who neuer promiseth, but hee meanes to pay.

They fight, Douglas slayth.

Cheerely my Lord, how fares your Grace?
Sir Nicholas Gamsey hath for succour sent,
And so hath Clifton: Ile to Clifton straight.

King. Stay, and breathe a while,

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